

## Ellis County Stallion To The Front.

In the "Spirit of the West", an exclusive horse paper published April 28th, 1909. Ed Escobar, 34402, owned by E. F. MADDEN, of Hays City, receives honorable mention under the following head:

*N-mes and Locations to Remember of Great Sons of Great Sires.*

"Following is a list of richly pedigreed and highly meritorious stallions in the stud that it will be well to have thoroughly in recognition and remembrance. Some of these days a mare will have to be bred to a stallion to get just the cross desired, or a brood mare or a stallion or race horse will be wanted, or one from this list will be just the right one to turn to to get this want supplied. It is a notable roll worth knowing thoroughly at any rate. Everyone representing some of the famous stallions of our times, history makers, and the distribution of their blood through our newer Southwest."

It is a roll of honor among trotting stallions, and while this grand animal is in Ellis County, is the time to improve your stock. This horse has the size, speed, stamina and transmits them to his colts. His disposition is unexcelled, and that of his colts the same.

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Sometimes Full of 'Em.  
Q.—There is only one sparker in a motor car, is there? A.—Not necessarily. The number frequently varies with the number of couples carried.—Kansas City Times.

Positively "The Best Seller."  
Probably the name of the late Noah Webster stands at the head of the list of those whose books have been "the best sellers." Seventy-five million spelling books and from 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 dictionaries look like record figures.

Care Not Necessary.  
Scientific knowledge is sometimes negligible. "My boy," said the kindly English rector to the hobbledoy of a youth who was picking mushrooms in the rectory fields, "be aware of picking a toadstool instead of a mushroom; they are easy to confuse." "That be all right, sir, that be," said the urchin, "us bain't a-goin' to eat 'em ourselves; they're goin' to market to be sold."

Miss Cora B. Miller of Salina who is known to almost all office holders and business men in Western Kansas as one of the most capable representatives of stationary houses, has given up Kansas to settle at Gooding, Idaho. For years she made trips to Hays for Crane & Co. of Topeka.

In Coburn's latest report on wheat it shows a decrease of about six percent in the plantings last fall. Of the sixteen highest counties it shows on May 1 the condition of the crop as follows:

Barton County	260,388 acres	90 p. c.
Pawnee	195,200 "	88 p. c.
Ellis	187,858 "	89 p. c.
Sumner	183,846 "	80 p. c.

The State Convention of the Knights of Columbus will be held in Salina May 11th and about 400 delegates will be present, several from the lodge in this county. The Knights of Columbus lodge was first organized in Connecticut and for ten years the membership was confined to that state alone, but ten years ago the organization extended beyond Connecticut and has grown to be one of the biggest Catholic lodges in the United States.

In the discussion of banker Hopper of Ness City in their home paper in urging people to dam the draws he uses this argument, which shows up well for Hays:

"The rain records for the past sixteen years as taken at Hays City, Dodge City and Ness City, furnish, to my mind, conclusive evidence that my theory is correct. Dividing these sixteen years into periods of four years each, at each station we get the following results in inches:

Per. 1891-94	95.98	99.02	04.06	total	
Hays	86.50	98.62	105.59	96.78	387.66
Dodge	73.71	98.62	82.97	90.99	346.29
Ness	67.08	91.37	89.17	90.63	337.25

From the foregoing table we learn that the average rainfall per annum for Hays is 94.22 inches, Dodge City is 21.61 inches, Ness City 21.07 in. The annual difference between Ness City and Hays City is 3.15 inches per annum in favor of Hays, and .64 of an inch in favor of Dodge City over Ness City."

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Dudish.  
When a dude seems to be intelligent, remember that "things" are set down that they seem.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Analysis of Good Temper.  
The good temper is born in nature of low vitality, iron nerves and thick skin. These are insensitive to change of moral atmosphere, and what would wound another soul mortally barely inflicts a scratch on them. The rest of their emotions are usually on a par with the temper—placid, imperturbable and sluggish. Those incapable of the passion of anger must be incapable of any other great passion.—Exchange.

### Committee Appointed to Select a K. S. A. C. President.

The regents of the agricultural college adjourned without electing a successor to President Nichols whose resignation takes effect July 1. The matter was discussed at considerable length and was finally left to a committee to make further investigation. This committee, the members of which are Colonel W. A. Harris, Arthur Capper and J. O. Tullies, will interview three or four college men who are looked upon with favor by the board, and were instructed to make a report as soon as possible of their investigations, together with their recommendation. There seemed to be a strong feeling among the members of the board in favor of a strong man of large executive experience in a similar institution. This would make it necessary to go to an agricultural college of some other state, and the committee will visit some of these colleges at once.

The board discussed the good roads question and decided that more attention should be given to this important work. The civil engineering department was authorized to employ a competent man who will give his entire time to promoting the good road movement.

D. M. Wilson was elected state dairy commissioner. Heretofore this official has been appointed by the Governor, but under an act of the recent Legislature he is now under the jurisdiction of the regents of the Agricultural college. Mr. Wilson is at present holding the place by appointment of Ex-Governor Hoch.

Prof. Albert Dickens, head of the horticulture and forestry department, was elected state forestry commissioner, and office created by the last Legislature. The board also authorized the appointment of a publicity agent, who will look after the newspaper work of the college. An experienced newspaper man is wanted for the place.

### Mrs. Lela Dowler Dead.

On Tuesday morning in the Methodist church the funeral services over the body of Mrs. Lela Belle Dowler were held, conducted by Rev. A. N. Smith. The church was crowded with sympathizing friends.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wood, was born here in Sept. 1889 and died on the morning of May 4, 1909. Early in life she was baptized and united with the M. E. church while Rev. Jordan was here and was always a good church member. In September 1907 she was married to Fred Dowler and they had lately moved to Hays where he was in business. Mr. Dowler and the Wood's family have the sympathy of our whole community.

### John Nickles Dead.

After a long illness, which he suffered contentedly, our old soldier, John Nickles, passed away just as the bugle sounded "The Paymaster is Coming." He entered the army in Pennsylvania, and came here with his family many years ago, became a merchant, afterwards retiring and turning the business over to his sons. He was a very active member of the G. A. R. Post as also of the Odd Fellow's Society and held the highest places in their ranks. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon in the Lutheran church and the services were conducted by these societies. It was attended by a large circle of sympathizing friends, who will miss his wise counsel and society. Headquarters D. M. Vance Post No. 2, G. A. R. Department of Kansas. Hays City, Kansas, May 3, 1909.

Whereas, on the 3rd day of May, 1909, our Comrade Post Commander, John Nickles, late of Co. D, 21st Pa. Cav., was mustered out of service by the Grand Commander to answer the last call, Therefore be it

Resolved: That in the death of our worthy and loved Comrade, Vance Post No. 2, G. A. R. loses a friend and valued comrade;

Resolved, That in this visitation of Divine Providence we are again reminded that the shadows of our lives are lengthening, and that the ranks of our Order, the members of which fought to save the life of our beloved Country in the dark and sorrowful days of the past, are growing thinner day by day.

Resolved, That the Flag of the Post Quarters be placed at half mast until after the funeral of our Comrade and that the Post be draped in mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy and mourn with the bereaved widow and children of our late Comrade, in this their hour of grief and sorrow.

And be it further Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on the records of the Post, and a copy thereof be furnished to the widow and children of our late Comrade and to the press of Hays City, Kansas.

Committee: H. B. Kohl,  
A. B. Dowler,  
J. B. Groom.

Shows Influence of Mind.  
Careful estimates show that the average business man walks a mile in 18 1/2 minutes, while the ordinary idler, who has no business on his mind, requires 20 minutes to walk it.

Somewhat Rough on Society "Man."  
At dinner one evening a well-known actress was most amiable to a very young lieutenant who sat next to her. He was mightily pleased at being on such good terms with a live actress. Suddenly she said, in her artless, pretty manner: "I am taking a boy's part in a new play, and I have been watching you ever since we were introduced. You don't mind, do you?"

The County Catholic Societies met April 28th at Schoengen, elected their officers for another year and passed these resolutions:

1. We recommend to the State Federation to exert its influence with the State Legislature toward the adoption of Good Friday, the memorial day of the death of our Lord Jesus Christ, as a legal holiday.

2. We recommend that a lively widespread interest be awakened in our Catholic College at Hays. This institution aims at spreading a Catholic education in the true sense, practical science and sound morality. We exhort especially all the parents to cooperate heartily with this institution and thus second the noble efforts of this noble undertaking.

3. We recommend that more enthusiasm for Catholic Societies and Conventions be aroused and we earnestly call the attention of the now existing societies to the fact that they must do all in their power to promote a lively interest in the regular local meetings as also to spread the Catholic spirit externally.

4. Furthermore, that the Federation stands emphatically on the side of law and order in the fight against saloons and joints. Because the law of the State forbids the sale of intoxicating liquors, we will be governed by that law. In this county the Catholic religion is often taken to account for disobedience of the prohibition laws, because it is mostly Catholics who are lawbreakers. The Federation wishes to go on record as disapproving the acts of such Catholics.

5. We recommend the introduction of the Curfew rule in all our towns as a means of keeping young people from our streets after dark, and we ask the societies to work toward that end.

6. Lastly we tender our most heartfelt thanks to the people of Schoengen in Ellis county on the "Windy Smoker" for their very friendly reception and kind hospitality. We turn in gratitude to the Rev. Pastor Dr. Carl Menig, the esteemed committee on entertainment, the women and young ladies of the parish, in appreciation of their culinary achievements.

(Signed) Committee

Notice for Publication, No. 0117  
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office Topeka, Kansas, April 6, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Daniel M. Ray, Plainville P. O., Kansas, who on March 30, 1904, made Homestead entry No. 27055, serial No. 0117, for the SW 1/4 section 30, township 11 south, range 17 W, 6th P.M., has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before the Clerk of the District Court at Hays, Kansas, on the 21st day of May, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Sidney Laurence of Turkuville, Kas. Cyrus A. Reed, ditto Laurence J. McCluskey of Plainville, Kas. Patsy J. Deane, ditto GEO. W. FISHER, Register.

Notice for Publication, No. 0156,  
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Topeka, Kansas.

Notice is hereby given that William G. Wallace of Plainville P. O., Kansas, who on March 31, 1908 made Homestead entry No. 20328 Serial No. 0156 for Lots 6 (six) and 7 (seven) of section 6, township 11 south, range 18 west 6th P. M., has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof to establish claim to the land above described, before the Probate Judge at Hays, Kansas on the 2nd day of June 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Charles Phillips and William Porter both of Plainville P. O. Kansas. L. V. Minx and Frank Hayes, both of Zurich P. O. Kansas. GEO. W. FISHER, REGISTER.

Notice for Publication, No. 0185  
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office Topeka, Kansas, April 13, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Albert C. Buffum of Codell P. O., Kansas, who on June 4, 1907 made Homestead Entry No. 20010, Serial No. 0185 for the E 1/2 NW 1/4 & E 1/2 SW 1/4 of Section 36, Township 11 south, range 17 W, 6th P. M., has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof to establish claim to the land above described, before the Probate Judge at Hays, Kansas, on the 28th day of May, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Thomas Ellett, Harry Hulitt, Clarence Wheeler, John Johanson, all of Hays P. O. Kansas. GEO. W. FISHER, REGISTER.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.  
State of Kansas, Ellis County, SS.

In the matter of the Estate of THOMAS DISNEY, Deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, on the Estate of Thomas Disney late of said county, deceased, by the Honorable, the Probate Court of the county and state aforesaid, dated the 14th day of April A. D. 1909. Now, all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby notified that they must present the same to the undersigned for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and that of such claims be not exhibited within three years after the date of said Letters they shall be forever barred.  
Mrs. CHRISTINA DISNEY, Administratrix of the Estate of Thomas Disney, Deceased.  
Attest: J. B. Groom, Probate Judge.  
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